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April 30, 2013

Colorado Water Quality Control Commission
C/O: Paul Frohardt, Commission Administrator
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, A5
Denver, Colorado 80246-1530

Re: Platte River Power Authority Comments – May 2013 Regulation 84 Rulemaking Hearing

Dear Commission Members:

Platte River Power Authority (Platte River) is submitting comments in support of the changes to Regulation 84 proposed by the Colorado Section of the Water Reuse Association and the Joint Water Reuse Committee of the Rocky Mountain Water Environment Association and the Rocky Mountain Section of the American Water Works Association. Platte River was an early participant in the development of Regulation 84 due to our use of reclaimed water for electric power generation non-evaporative cooling purposes at Rawhide Energy Station. We believe that the expanded use of reclaimed water is in the public interest when risks are defined, low, and properly managed. Within these constraints, viable new uses should be encouraged and we believe that the proposed changes support this objective in a responsible way.

We would also like to take the opportunity to mention the excellent work done by the Regulation 84 Water Quality Forum subgroup, in which Platte River is an intermittent participant. Their dedication to water conservation, public protection, and environmental stewardship has been highly commendable throughout this process.

Please contact me at 970-266-7906 or woodc@prpa.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Platte River Power Authority

Cc: David Ussery, Environmental Services Manager, Platte River Power Authority